

HOUSE No. 72

By Ms. Fox of Boston, petition of Gloria L. Fox and others relative to provisional ballots for persons not permitted to vote on primary or election days. Election Laws.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PETITION OF:

Gloria L. Fox	Dianne Wilkerson
Ellen Story	Patricia D. Jehlen
Shirley Owens-Hicks	Elizabeth A. Malia
Byron Rushing	Anne M. Paulsen

In the Year Two Thousand and Five.

AN ACT RELATIVE TO PROVISIONAL BALLOTS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Section 59A of chapter 51 of the General Laws,
2 as appearing in the 2000 Official Edition, is hereby amended by
3 striking out from the first sentence the words “person is not per-
4 mitted to vote” and inserting in place thereof the words “person’s
5 name does not appear on the list of persons entitled to vote.” Said
6 section 59A is hereby further amended by striking out from the
7 first, second, third, fourth and sixth sentences the word “escrow”
8 and inserting in place thereof the word “provisional.”

1 SECTION 2. Section 135 of chapter 54 of the General Laws, as
2 appearing in the 2000 Official Edition, is hereby amended by
3 striking out from the first sentence of the third paragraph the word
4 “escrow” and inserting in place thereof the word “provisional.”